

**§ 456.412 Records and reports.**

The UR plan must describe—

- (a) The types of records that are kept by the group performing UR; and
- (b) The type and frequency of reports made by the UR group, and arrangements for distribution of the reports to appropriate individuals.

**§ 456.413 Confidentiality.**

The UR plan must provide that the identities of individual beneficiaries in all UR records and reports are kept confidential.

UR PLAN: REVIEW OF NEED FOR  
CONTINUED STAY

**§ 456.431 Continued stay review required.**

(a) The UR plan must provide for a review of each beneficiaries continued stay in the ICF at least every 6 months to decide whether it is needed.

(b) The UR plan requirement for continued stay review may be met by—

(1) Reviews that are performed in accordance with the requirements of §§ 456.432 through 456.437; or

(2) Reviews that meet on-site inspection requirements under subpart I if—

(i) The composition of the independent professional review team under subpart I meets the requirements of § 456.406; and

(ii) Reviews are conducted as frequently as required under §§ 456.433 and 456.434.

**§ 456.432 Evaluation criteria for continued stay.**

The UR plan must provide that—

(a) The group performing UR develops written criteria to assess the need for continued stay.

(b) The group develops more extensive written criteria for cases that its experience shows are—

- (1) Associated with high costs;
- (2) Associated with the frequent furnishing of excessive services; or
- (3) Attended by physicians whose patterns of care are frequently found to be questionable.

**§ 456.433 Initial continued stay review date.**

The UR plan must provide that—

(a) When a beneficiary is admitted to the ICF under admission review requirements of this subpart, the group performing UR assigns a specified date by which the need for his continued stay will be reviewed;

(b) The group performing UR bases its assignment of the initial continued stay review date on the methods and criteria required to be described under § 456.435(a);

(c) The initial continued stay review date is—

(1) Not later than 6 months after admission; or

(2) Earlier than 6 months after admission, if indicated at the time of admission; and

(d) The group performing UR insures that the initial continued stay review date is recorded in the beneficiary's record.

**§ 456.434 Subsequent continued stay review dates.**

The UR plan must provide that—

(a) The group performing UR assigns subsequent continued stay review dates in accordance with § 456.435.

(b) The group assigns a subsequent continued stay review date each time it decides under § 456.436 that the continued stay is needed—

(1) At least every 6 months; or

(2) More frequently than every six months if indicated at the time of continued stay review; and

(c) The group insures that each continued stay review date it assigns is recorded in the beneficiary's record.

**§ 456.435 Description of methods and criteria: Continued stay review dates.**

The UR plan must describe the methods and criteria that the group performing UR uses to assign initial and subsequent continued stay review dates under §§ 456.433 and 456.434.

**§ 456.436 Continued stay review process.**

The UR plan must provide that—

(a) Review of continued stay cases is conducted by—

- (1) The group performing UR; or
- (2) A designee of the UR group;